

Minutes

Citizen's District Council Meeting
City of Muskegon CDBG
Conference Room 203
Muskegon, Michigan
September 5, 2018

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Veania Coleman at 5:33 pm.

ROLL CALL:

Roll call was taken by Samantha Pulos-Porter, and a quorum was present.

➤ **Present:**

- ✓ Ken Johnson - Commissioner
- ✓ Veania Coleman
- ✓ Carrie Johnson
- ✓ Kim Burr
- ✓ Jeremy Lenertz
- ✓ Scott Banninga
- ✓ Poppy Sias-Hernandez

➤ **Absent:**

➤ **Excused:**

- ✓ Tom Pastoor

➤ **Staff Present:**

- ✓ Oneata Bailey
- ✓ Samantha Pulos-Porter

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion to approve the minutes from June 5, 2018 was made by Scott Banninga; Kim Burr seconded the motion, which pass unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

The 2018 Action Plan has been approved. CNS is waiting on the agreements from HUD for the current funding year. The CDC recommended budget was approved by the City Commission. Questions were asked in regard to what capacity the CDC has in decision making with how the funds will be spent. It was explained that the CDC serves in an advisory capacity to work in coordination with City Staff to make decisions.

NEW BUSINESS:

The CAPER report is being released to the public on September 6, 2018. It is available on the City's website, the Housing Commission, Hackley Library, Community and Neighborhood Services and the City Clerk's Office. This report tells HUD what was accomplished with last year's funding.

STAFF REPORTS:

CNS is set to receive a lead grant from the State of Michigan through the Medicaid program. They will tentatively receive funds October 1. CNS is also exploring the possibility of receiving a federal lead grant. All aspects of lead abatement/encapsulation will be addressed. The County Health Department will work in coordination with the City, for outreach and education. Families with children with elevated lead levels, will be made priority. The lead grant will be county wide. \$880,005 is the amount to be received for the state lead grant.

ADJOURN:

Scott Banninga motioned to adjourn the meeting, Poppy Sias-Hernandez seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:03 pm.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting date is: October 2, 2018.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Poppy Sias-Hernandez requested that the agendas going forward identify action vs. information items. A request was also made to correct her attendance from the June CDC Minutes from absent to an excused absence.

Jeremy Lenertz asked about an update in regard to the Priority Home Repair and the Vinyl Siding Programs. Oneata explained that in response to the CDC's request, there will be a flyer in the September water bill. She also clarified that the changes put into place by the CDC immediately went into effect. Jeremy also asked about when CNS' public notices are published, where they are published and how one should find them. The difficulty of finding the notices on Mlive was mentioned. The group discussed that the reports go on the City's website on CNS' page, in the news feed, sometimes on the City's Facebook, and hard copies are placed in multiple places throughout the City. Oneata confirmed that it is a HUD requirement to publish the report in the local newspaper. Scott Banninga reminded the group that you can sign up for alerts from the City's website for notices, RFPs, events, etc.